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Applicant: Monty Krieger and Susan L. Acton

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

The following remarks are in response to the Office Action mailed on August 6, 2003.

Submitted with this Response is a Petition for Extension of Time, a reference by Yang *et al.*

(*Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, Vol. 87, pp 7907-7911, 1990); an abstract by Rouleau *et al.*,

(*Genomics*, 1989, 4(1):1-6); and an abstract by Ioannou *et al.*, (*Nat. Genet.* 1994,6(1):84-9).

Also enclosed with this Response is a Notice of Appeal, the claims having been rejected on

the same grounds on multiple occasions. In the event this application is not allowed, it

should be returned to the Board for further consideration, pursuant to the instructions on

page 17 of the Board decision dated September 25, 2001. The Commissioner is hereby

authorized to charge \$110.00 and \$300, the fees for a one month extension of time and Notice of

Appeal, to Deposit Account No. 50-1868. It is believed that no additional fee is required with

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this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1868.